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<u>PUBLIC VERSION –</u> CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION EXCLUDED

VIA ECFS

Marlene Dortch Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street SW Washington, DC 20554

Re: Application of IP Horizon, LLC, For Authorization to Obtain Numbering Resources, Pursuant to Section 52.15(g), Docket No. 18-____

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Pursuant to §52.15(g)(3)(i) of the Commission's Rules, ¹ IP Horizon, LLC files its Application for Authorization to Obtain Numbering Resources. Please note, this Application contains confidential material, the disclosure of which would competitively harm the Company. Accordingly, IP Horizon requests this material be filed under seal, pursuant to §0.459 of the Commission's Rules. ² In support of this request, IP Horizon submits the following:

- 1. Identification of the information for which confidential treatment is sought.
 - IP Horizon seeks confidential treatment of *Exhibits A* and *B* to its Application, and specific references to these exhibits found in the body of its Application.
- 2. Description of the circumstances giving rise to the submission.

As part of its Application, IP Horizon is including the agreement between its carrier partner as proof of its facilities readiness as required by §52.15(g)(3)(i)(D) of the

¹ 47 C.F.R. § 52.15(g).

² 47 C.F.R. § 0.459.

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Commission's Rules, and copies of a number of the carrier's interconnection agreements with incumbent carriers.

3. Explanation of the degree to which the information is commercial or financial, or contains a trade secret or is privileged.

The information for which IP Horizon seeks confidential treatment contains sensitive commercial information "which would customarily be guarded from competitors." The Exhibits to this Application describes the agreement between IP Horizon and its carrier partner and contains proprietary commercial information concerning IP Horizon's network, customers, and services.

4. Explanation of the degree to which the information is commercial or financial or contains a trade secret or is privileged.

The Exhibits contain information relating to commercial matters which can be used by other interconnected Voice over Internet Protocol ("VoIP") providers to compromise IP Horizon's position in the highly competitive interconnected VoIP sector. Accordingly, release of this information would result in substantial competitive harm to IP Horizon.

5. Explanation of how disclosure of the information could result in substantial competitive harm.

Competitors could use IP Horizon's proprietary commercial and operational information to IP Horizon's detriment as they would gain access to sensitive information concerning IP Horizon's commercial agreements, as well as information as to how IP Horizon provides its services. This information is not typically disclosed publicly.

6. Identification of any measures taken to prevent unauthorized disclosure, or if the information has been disclosed previously.

Neither IP Horizon nor its carrier-partner have distributed the information to the public or to any third party.

7. Justification of the period during which IP Horizon asserts that material should not be available for public disclosure.

IP Horizon requests that the Exhibits be treated as confidential for a minimum period of ten years. This period is necessary due to the nature of the proprietary information in the Exhibits of the Application.

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The confidential version of this Application with the confidential information included is being filed in-hand conccurrently.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter and please do not hesitate to contact me at (202) 792-6422, or kmarshall@potomaclaw.com if you have any questions or concerns.

Respectfully submitted,

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